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Subject: Dangerous chemicals on store shelves

Supporter,

If you've ever used a can of paint stripper, you know it smells toxic. But did you know that even short-term exposure could be deadly? Under the new chemical safety law, the EPA recently proposed bans on two toxic chemicals found in paint strippers. We need your voice to make sure the final regulations are strong.

Tell the EPA to ban the use of methylene chloride (DCM) and N-methylpyrrolidone (NMP) in commercial and consumer paint strippers. Let's protect workers and consumers from these dangerous chemicals.

Paint strippers containing DCM have been linked to more than 50 deaths nationwide since the 1980's—many from uses like refinishing bathtubs in confined spaces. Long-term exposure has been linked to liver toxicity, liver cancer and lung cancer.

NMP exposure puts women of childbearing age and pregnant women—whether exposed at home or on the job—at risk of harm to their fetuses. And workers chronically exposed to NMP are at risk of liver damage and cancer.

The good news is that safer alternatives are readily available—but we need the EPA to ban both of these chemicals from paint and coating removal products.

Your voice can help show the EPA that the public is watching—sign the petition now.

Recently EPA proposed banning methylene chloride and NMP under the new chemical safety law passed last summer. With your help, we can protect consumers and workers by banning both of these dangerous chemicals.

Thanks for your help,

Liz Hitchcock, Government Affairs Director Safer Chemicals, Healthy Families

<u>Safer Chemicals</u>, <u>Healthy Families</u> works with supporters like you to fight toxic chemicals in our homes, workplaces, and products we use every day. Please <u>chip in \$5</u> to help fuel the fight to keep our families safe.

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